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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application which is a U.S. National Phase entry of PCT/BE96/00123, filed November 21, 1996, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-69.

Please add the following new claims:

70. An isolated receptor having a preference for pyrimidine nucleotides over purine nucleotides, wherein said receptor has an amino acid sequence having more than 60% homology with the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2.